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Joachim KUHN et al.	:	CUSTOMER SERVICE CENTER
Application No.: 10/670,236)	INITIAL PATENT EXAMINATION
Filed: 09/26/2003	:	DIVISION
For: SHIPPING BOX FOR SHIPPING OF)	Group Art Unit: 3728
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Sir:

The following is presented in response to the Notice of Information Application mailed December 23, 2003, copy enclosed, in connection with the above-captioned application.

The Declaration was objected to and a new declaration required. However, the objection and requirement are totally inappropriate. That is, if the Initial Patent Examination Division will review the Declaration form, they will see that it is an official PTO form which has no place for the data that they believe needs to be on it, and that this form is for use with an Application Data Sheet. Furthermore, if the Patent Office will review the file they will find that an Application Data Sheet has been submitted which contains the data in question. Lastly, the Patent Office's attention is directed to 37 CFR § 1.63(c) of which indicates that the mailing or post office address of each inventor can be provided by way of an Application Data Sheet instead of via the Declaration. Thus, since the applicants' mailing or post office addresses were provided by way of an Application Data Sheet, copy enclosed, no new

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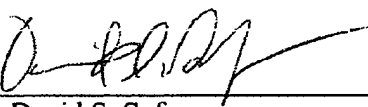
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Declaration should be required and the Patent Office's objection and requirement should now be withdrawn. Also enclosed is a copy of the date stamped postcard showing that the Declaration and Application Data Sheet were filed in the Patent Office on 09/26/03.

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10. Preliminary Amendment
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